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On July 9, 1963 the Newark Human Rights Commission, after a six hour hearing, found discrimination in the employment patterns of the work force at Barringer High School.

Such discrimination is obviously contrary to contractual agreements and the Anti Discrimination Law of the State of New Jersey.

There is no question in my mind that work should be stopped at Barringer until Louis Vehling and his building trades unions involved in these discriminatory practices begin to rectify the wrongs of past decades.

It is a sad and sorry commentary on the democratic principles of sound American unionism when one dissident group of building union discriminators can seek injunctive procedures to prevent aggrieved Negroes and Puerto Ricans from demonstrating in their own best interests against discrimination.

The building trades unions must have very short memories if they do not recall the importance of picketing in their own struggle for survival.

I believe these thoughts reflect the major reasons which motivated CORE to sit-in at the entrance to Mayor Hugh J. Addonizio's City Hall office in Newark.

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